

JLARC Meeting
December 12, 2022 – MINUTES

JLARC Members Present:

Senator Janet Howell, Chair; Senator Mamie E. Locke; Senator Jeremy S. McPike; Senator Thomas K. Norment, Jr.; Senator Lionel Spruill, Sr.; Delegate Terry L. Austin; Delegate Betsy B. Carr; Delegate Barry D. Knight; Delegate Luke Torian; Delegate R. Lee Ware; Delegate Tony Wilt; and Staci Henshaw, Auditor of Public Accounts.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Senator Howell, who welcomed the Commission members and introduced Mr. Hal Greer, JLARC director, who gave an overview of the meeting.

CSB Behavioral Health Services

Mr. Greer gave an overview of the CSB Behavioral Health Services study and then introduced Mr. Drew Dickinson, who presented the report to the Commission. During and following Mr. Dickinson's presentation, there were several questions from Commission members. Following Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Nelson Smith, commissioner of DBHDS, addressed the Commission. There were no questions.

Status Update: Review of SOQ Funding Formula

Following, Mr. Greer gave an overview of the status update and then introduced Mr. Mark Gribbin, who presented the status update to the Commission members. There were no questions.

Cost of Dual Enrollment Program

Mr. Greer gave an overview of the study, then introduced Ms. Lauren Axelle who discussed a more detailed overview before introducing Ms. Brittany Utz, JLARC legislative analyst, who presented the report to the Commission. Following Ms. Utz's presentation, there were comments and questions from Commission members. At the conclusion of Ms. Utz's presentation, Ms. Aimee Rogstad Guidera, Secretary of Education, addressed the Commission. There were no questions from Commission members.

VEC Follow-up

Mr. Greer gave an overview of the VEC follow-up report, then introduced Ms. Lauren Axselle, who presented the report. Following, there was one question from a Commission member.

VRS Oversight Report

Mr. Greer introduced Mr. Jamie Bitz, who gave the yearly presentation of JLARC's VRS Oversight report. Following, there were no questions.

Ongoing Oversight

Ms. Kimberly Sarte then addressed JLARC's oversight of economic development incentives; SOQ state spending; and the Cardinal human capital management system.

Adjournment

Mr. Greer gave closing remarks and there being no further business, Senator Howell, Chair, adjourned the Commission at 11:50 a.m.

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